



# 2021 Annual Report





"Serving gives my life purpose like nothing else."  
~Kagan

## ABOUT US

### Mission

Strengthening Missouri communities through volunteerism and service

### Vision

A Missouri where every Missourian knows they have the ability to volunteer in their community.

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### Missouri AmeriCorps Since 1994





17,000  
AmeriCorps  
Members



25,000,000  
Hours  
Served



\$60,400,000  
Earned for  
School



\$649,000,000  
Invested in  
Missouri

# 2021 BY THE NUMBERS

## Missouri Volunteerism



1,529,792 Missourians volunteered



133,000,000 hours served



\$3,200,000,000 in volunteer hours

## Missouri AmeriCorps



816 AmeriCorps Members



170 Service Sites



932,433 hours served



\$3,562,443 earned for college

## COVID-19 Response



52 vaccination sites



173,879 people vaccinated

## Investment

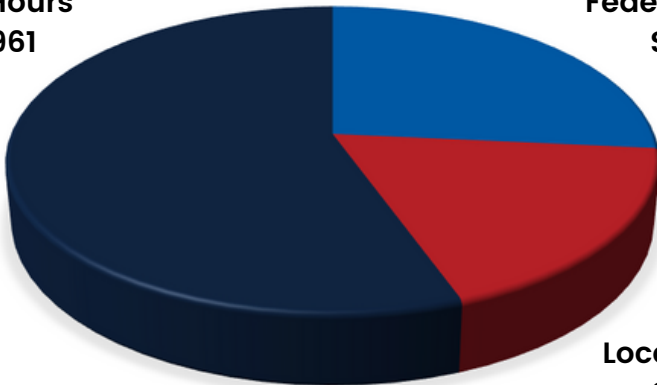


\$43,605,519 to Missouri communities

Volunteer Hours  
\$24,205,961

Federal Investment  
\$11,552,903

Local Investment  
\$7,846,655



"It's simple.  
It's all about  
giving back  
to the  
community."  
~Harry





"No matter  
the problem,  
volunteerism  
is the  
solution!"  
~Scott

## FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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Friends,

This has been a year of great tragedy and great hope. The pandemic is the single greatest crisis in most of our lifetimes, and it is easy to believe this is too big for any of us to beat, but I am proud to say, we are beating it each and every day!

2021 has shown us once again that no matter the problem, volunteerism is the solution!

While AmeriCorps Members and volunteers answered the call to help their fellow Missourians in time of great need, the Commission used 2021 to redefine ourselves. No longer are we simply a grant funder. We are now a resource and facilitator for service. We are rededicated to our vision of a Missouri where everyone volunteers.

This year we grew our AmeriCorps portfolio to the largest Missouri has ever seen. We launched a new website and volunteer opportunity search engine that has already helped thousands learn how they can give back to their community. We began to highlight amazing stories through Missouri's Volunteer of the Week program.

2021 was a year of growth for us, but I am here to say that we are just getting started! 2022 will bring the largest federal, state, and local investment in service that Missouri has ever seen. It will also bring new opportunities to shine a light on the amazing work volunteers do every day to make our state, and our world, a better place!

I hope you will enjoy learning about what was done in 2021, but more importantly, I hope you are excited for what is to come in 2022! Let's get things done!

Yours in Service,





## COMMISSIONERS AND STAFF

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Commissioners are appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate. They serve as Missouri's Ambassadors of Service for three-year terms.

We are currently looking for more Commissioners. To apply, visit [boards.mo.gov](http://boards.mo.gov)!

### Commissioners

- John Albright, Clayton – Chair
- Jennifer Ingraham, Kansas City – Vice Chair
- Gary Budoor, Chesterfield
- Jamie Crispin, Kansas City – Ex-Officio
- Lt. Governor Mike Kehoe, Jefferson City
- Dr. Margie Vandeven, O'Fallon
- William "Skip" Stephens, Dardenne Prairie
- Russel Unger, Columbia – Past Chair

### Outgoing Commissioners

- Forrest W. Miller, St. Louis
- Nina North Murphy, St. Louis – Past Vice Chair
- Janis K. VanMeter, Lewistown – Past Chair

### Staff

- Scott McFarland, Executive Director
- Christine Gardner, Deputy Director
- Kristen Schaben, Program Officer
- Christina Johnson, Program Officer

"AmeriCorps offers Missouri youth a civic apprenticeship preparing them for the workforce and active citizenship!"  
~John Albright, Chair



"I believe education is the best route to achieve true equity!"  
~Nick

## MISSOURI AMERICORPS

Missouri AmeriCorps Members serve up to 1,700 hours in a year to help their community. They may receive a living stipend and earn an education award at the end of their service to pay for school or student loans.



- 816 Members
- 932,433 hours served
- \$3,562,443 earned in education awards
- 1,146 individuals improved access to medical care
- 2,190 veterans and military family members served
- 26,262 students served
- 174,040 victims of disaster served





# VOLUNTEERISM

## Bicentennial Service Challenge

In celebration of Missouri's 200th birthday, the Bicentennial Commission and MCSC challenged Missourians to volunteer 200 hours in

their community. They answered the call volunteering over 30,000 hours!



## Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service



### MCSC sponsored projects:

- 1,384 volunteers recruited
- 300 meals served
- 679 cards written to seniors
- 8,000 pounds of food distributed
- 7,377 people served

## 9/11 Day of Service and Remembrance

In partnership with the 9/11 Day Foundation and St. Louis Area Foodbank, MCSC supported over 800 volunteers who packed over 200,000 meals that were distributed to sites throughout the St. Louis area.



"I am passionate about doing my part to put an end to sexual violence!"  
~Hannah



"I feel an over-whelming need to participate in something bigger than myself."  
~Holly

## COVID-19 RESPONSE

From the beginning of the pandemic, our Members and volunteers never stopped serving! They continued to work with kids while schools were virtual. They ensured families had the food and supplies they needed while staying at home. They worked with local and state agencies to provide COVID testing and vaccinations.

In total, our programs helped thousands get tested and 173,879 Missourians get vaccinated!

As the pandemic continues to impact our lives, we are still serving!





## SHOWMESERVICE.ORG

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2021 saw the launch of Missouri's new one-stop-shop for volunteer information on-line.

ShowMeService.org hosts Missouri's Show Me Service Awards, the Volunteer of the Week, information on our AmeriCorps programs, and a statewide volunteer opportunity search.

Visitors can search through hundreds of volunteer opportunities in communities throughout the state.

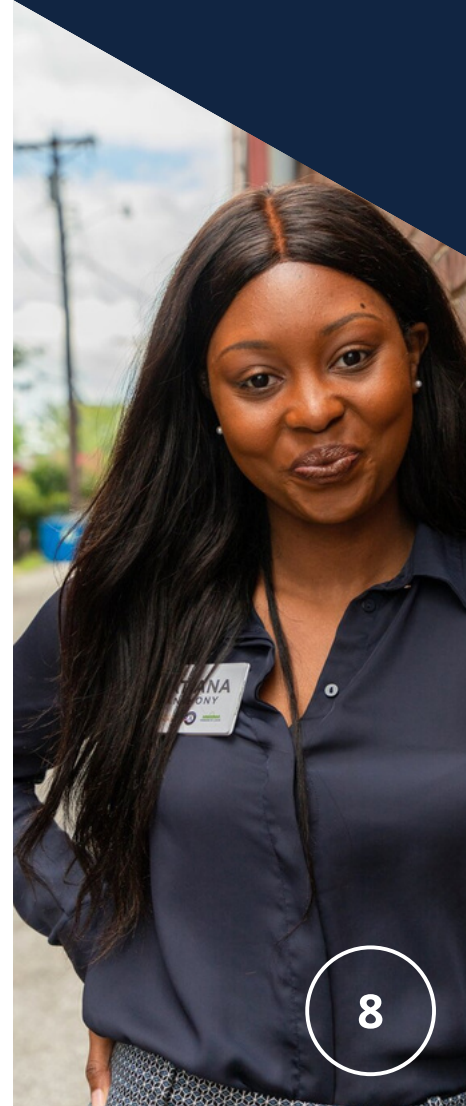
Through our partnership with Missouri Broadcasters Association, nearly a half million dollars worth of TV, radio, and digital advertisements called on Missourians to serve in their community.



- 40,985 visits to ShowMeService.org
- 7,128 visits to the volunteer search (launched October 1)
- 201 agencies posting needs
- 13,568 volunteer opportunities listed
- 1,914 volunteer connections made

"My growth is the by-product of leaders within my community. I simply want to pay it forward!."

~Tatiana





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